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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Hirofumi KAWASHIMA: Group Art Unit: NOT YET
Serial No.: NOT YET ASSIGNED : ASSIGNED
(Filed herewith) : Examiner: NOT YET ASSIGNED
Filed: October 11, 2001
For: QUARTZ CRYSTAL TUNING FORK :
RESONATOR :
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicants request entry of the following Preliminary Amendment into the file of the subject application prior to determination of the filing fee for the application and commencement of examination of the application on the merits.

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend the claims as follows:

Amend original claims 1 – 17, as follows:

1. (Amended) A quartz crystal tuning fork resonator, capable of vibrating in a flexural mode, the resonator comprising:
- a plurality of quartz crystal tuning fork tines, each tuning fork tine having sides and a central linear portion;